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[Report No. 112-625]

To authorize the Architect of the Capitol to establish battery recharging stations for privately owned vehicles in parking areas under the jurisdiction of the House of Representatives at no net cost to the Federal Government.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 6, 2011

Mr. KILDEE (for himself, Mr. DINGELL, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. RYAN of Ohio, Mr. HINCHEY, and Mr. PETERS) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on House Administration

JULY 26, 2012

Additional sponsors: Mr. BRADY of Pennsylvania, Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Ms. WOOLSEY, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Ms. HAHN, and Mr. PRICE of North Carolina

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A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. BATTERY RECHARGING STATIONS FOR PRI-**
4 **VATELY OWNED VEHICLES IN PARKING**
5 **AREAS UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE**
6 **HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AT NO NET**
7 **COST TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT.**

8 (a) DEFINITION.—In this Act, the term “covered em-
9 ployee” means—

10 (1) an employee whose pay is disbursed by the
11 Chief Administrative Officer of the House of Rep-
12 resentatives; or

13 (2) any other individual who is authorized to
14 park in any parking area under the jurisdiction of
15 the House of Representatives on Capitol Grounds.

16 (b) AUTHORITY.—

17 (1) IN GENERAL.—Subject to paragraph (3),
18 funds appropriated to the Architect of the Capitol
19 under the heading “CAPITOL POWER PLANT” under
20 the heading “ARCHITECT OF THE CAPITOL” in
21 any fiscal year are available to construct, operate,
22 and maintain on a reimbursable basis battery re-
23 charging stations in parking areas under the juris-
24 diction of the House of Representatives on Capitol
25 Grounds for use by privately owned vehicles used by

1 Members of the House of Representatives (including
2 the Delegates or Resident Commissioner to the Con-
3 gress) or covered employees.

4 (2) VENDORS AUTHORIZED.—In carrying out
5 paragraph (1), the Architect of the Capitol may use
6 1 or more vendors on a commission basis.

7 (3) APPROVAL OF CONSTRUCTION.—The Archi-
8 tect of the Capitol may construct or direct the con-
9 struction of battery recharging stations described
10 under paragraph (1) after—

11 (A) submission of written notice detailing
12 the numbers and locations of the battery re-
13 charging stations to the Committee on House
14 Administration of the House of Representatives;
15 and

16 (B) approval by that Committee.

17 (c) FEES AND CHARGES.—

18 (1) IN GENERAL.—Subject to paragraph (2),
19 the Architect of the Capitol shall charge fees or
20 charges for electricity provided to Members and cov-
21 ered employees sufficient to cover the costs to the
22 Architect of the Capitol to carry out this section, in-
23 cluding costs to any vendors or other costs associ-
24 ated with maintaining the battery recharging sta-
25 tions.

1 (2) APPROVAL OF FEES OR CHARGES.—The Ar-
2 chitect of the Capitol may establish and adjust fees
3 or charges under paragraph (1) after—

4 (A) submission of written notice detailing
5 the amount of the fee or charge to be estab-
6 lished or adjusted to the Committee on House
7 Administration of the House of Representatives;
8 and

9 (B) approval by that Committee.

10 (d) DEPOSIT AND AVAILABILITY OF FEES, CHARGES,
11 AND COMMISSIONS.—Any fees, charges, or commissions
12 collected by the Architect of the Capitol under this section
13 shall be—

14 (1) deposited in the Treasury to the credit of
15 the appropriations account described under sub-
16 section (b); and

17 (2) available for obligation without further ap-
18 propriation during—

19 (A) the fiscal year collected; and

20 (B) the fiscal year following the fiscal year
21 collected.

22 (e) ANNUAL REPORTS.—Not later than 30 days after
23 the end of each fiscal year, the Architect of the Capitol
24 shall submit a report on the financial administration and
25 cost recovery of activities under this section with respect

1 to that fiscal year to the Committee on House Administra-
2 tion of the House of Representatives.

3 (e) REPORTS.—

4 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 30 days after
5 the end of each fiscal year, the Architect of the Capitol
6 shall submit a report on the financial administration
7 and cost recovery of activities under this section with
8 respect to that fiscal year to the Committee on House
9 Administration of the House of Representatives.

10 (2) AVOIDING SUBSIDY.—

11 (A) DETERMINATION.—Not later than 3
12 years after the date of enactment of this Act and
13 every 3 years thereafter, the Architect of the Cap-
14 itol shall submit a report to the Committee on
15 House Administration of the House of Represent-
16 atives determining whether Members (including
17 any Delegate or Resident Commissioner to Con-
18 gress) and covered employees using battery
19 charging stations as authorized by this Act are
20 receiving a subsidy from the taxpayers.

21 (B) MODIFICATION OF RATES AND FEES.—

22 If a determination is made under subparagraph
23 (A) that a subsidy is being received, the Architect
24 of the Capitol shall submit a plan to the Com-
25 mittee on House Administration of the House of

1 *Representatives on how to update the program to*
2 *ensure no subsidy is being received. If the com-*
3 *mittee does not act on the plan within 60 days,*
4 *the Architect of the Capitol shall take appro-*
5 *priate steps to increase rates or fees to ensure re-*
6 *imbursement for the cost of the program con-*
7 *sistent with an appropriate schedule for amorti-*
8 *zation, to be charged to those using the charging*
9 *stations.*

10 (f) EFFECTIVE DATE.—This Act shall apply with re-
11 spect to fiscal year 2011 and each fiscal year thereafter.

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